

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2019

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist \* = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE 8:00 & 10:30 Bells of Peace

*Joyous Spirit*

Valerie Stephenson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*The Lord, My God, Be Praised*

**LSB 794**

1. **The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heaven;  
My maker, who to me Has soul and body given;  
My Father, who does shield And keep me day by day,  
And make each moment yield New blessings on my way.**
2. **The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heaven,  
The Father's own dear Son, Whose life for me was given;  
Who for my sin atoned With His most precious blood  
And gives to me by faith The highest heav'nly good.**
3. **The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ever-living  
To whom the heav'nly host, Their laud and praise are giving.  
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,  
God Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Ghost.**

**\*INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: In the name of God the Father, source of all hope and light and life:

C: **Who has loved us with an everlasting love, who is faithful to His word and to His promises.**

L: In the name of Jesus Christ,

C: **The living word of God, the one who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.**

L: In the name of God, the Holy Spirit,

C: **Who brings us into the way, teaches the truth, and works faith within us.**

L: Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.

C: **Merciful Father, we pray for pardon, peace and forgiveness for our sins, because of the person and work of Jesus Christ, who suffered and died to pay the penalty of physical and eternal death which we deserve. Forgive us and release us from our guilt. Amen.**

**\*THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**\*THE KYRIE**

C: **✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**\*THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Taken from Lutheran Service Book pages 187-189 (8:00)

**✠ Glory be to God on high; and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**\*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **✠ Amen.**

THE FIRST READING for the third Sunday of Easter is recorded in Acts 9:1-6, page 897:

<sup>1</sup>But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" <sup>5</sup>And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **✠ Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING is from Revelation 5:8-14, page 1031:

<sup>8</sup> And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, <sup>10</sup> and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." <sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup> And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**\*ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: **✠ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL - according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter, verses 1-14, page 907:**

C: **✠ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. <sup>9</sup>When they got out

on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **✠ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S SONG** (Sung as the children come forward) (8:00 & 10:30)

- 1. Jesus loves me this I know, For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak but He is strong. (Chorus)**

Chorus: **Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me,  
Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.**

- 2. Jesus loves me, He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide.  
He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in. (Chorus)**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*In Thee Is Gladness*

**LSB 818**

- 1. In Thee is gladness, Amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
By Thee are given, The gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;  
Who trusts Thee surely, Has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining, To see Thy shining.  
Dying or living, To Thee are cleaving;  
Naught can us sever; Alleluia!**
- 2. Since He is ours,—We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin nor death.  
He sees and blesses In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory,  
With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him, And still shall raise Him,  
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!**

**THE SERMON**

"Conversion and Forgiveness"

(Acts 9:1-6)

**THE OFFERING** - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

**VOLUNTARY** 8:00 Bells of Peace

*Peace*

Joshua Kramer

10:30 Chimes of Peace

*Hymn Duet*

Arranged: Burnell Hackman

\*THE OFFERTORY LSB page 192

♩ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

\*LORD'S PRAYER (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

\*THE BENEDICTION

C: ♩ Amen, amen, amen.

\*THE CLOSING HYMN *Abide, O Dearest Jesus*

LSB 919

1. Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with your grace  
That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
2. Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word  
And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
3. Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light;  
Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.

\*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE 8:00 & 10:30 Bells of Peace

*Danza*

Tielman Susato

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman

Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Rick Goodman/Jeanette Mattingly

NEWS AND NOTES:

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TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): The Gospel of Luke

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Gr: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner

7th Gr: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Ladies Guild.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES: Adult Inquiry series on Sundays, 6:00-8:00 p.m., starts today May 5, with completion for membership reception Sunday, June 2. Sign up is posted on the bulletin board in the Commons.

ALASKA MISSION BAKE SALE Don't forget to stop by the Welcome Center in the Commons and order your gooey butter cake or pies for Mother's Day. We have apple and cherry pies as well as the gooey butter cake, \$8 each. All these items are freshly made here at Peace. Orders can be picked up before and after services Mother's Day weekend (Sat., May 11 and Sun., May 12). Thank you for supporting this mission work in rural Alaska!

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION for Teacher Debra Prange who completes 32 years as classroom instructor, reading and math specialist, pianist, and choir director at Green Park Lutheran School at the end of the current academic year, will be Sunday, May 19, with "Open House" at Peace 9:00 - 9:15 a.m. and 11:30 - 1:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. Light refreshments will be served as we thank Mrs. Prange for her dedicated service to God's children at GPLS and Peace.

GROCERY BAGS are being distributed today for the annual Feed My People Pantry drive. Please return food items Mothers' Day weekend to the Commons.

INTERESTED IN BEING A PRAYER PARTNER? Are you interested in being a prayer partner for the High School Youth and adults attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering (Real. Present. God.) in Minneapolis this July? Please talk with Christina about how you and your family can be a part of this exciting week.

YOUTH NEWS: The 9th Grade Welcome event is today from 3:00-6:00 p.m. High School Seniors Recognition will be held on Sunday, May 19 at 9:15 a.m. in the Youth Room. Please RSVP to Christina if you are able to attend. Jr. Youth will be helping to lead the worship service at Bethesda on May 19 from 10:30-11:30. Please sign up on the Youth Ministry Bulletin Board if you are able to help.

ATHENS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is right around the corner, June 24-28. Please sign your children and grandchildren (ages 3 - 6th grade) up for VBS by June 1 to assure them a theme t-shirt. Registration can be found on our church website: [peacelutheranstl.org](http://peacelutheranstl.org).

GRADUATING? Names of those graduating from college, high school, elementary and other schools needed for future acknowledgement.

SURVIVING SPOUSES BREAKFAST at 9:00 a.m. this Thurs. at Denny's. Contact Joyce Schutte for more info.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY RESUMED this past Wednesday, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Commons with Pastor Furgeson. You are welcome!

LUTHERAN SOUTH SUMMER CAMPS registration is now open for 2019 camps. Visit [lhssstl.org](http://lhssstl.org) for more information and to sign up.

REV. RICHARD LABORE, long time religion instructor at Lutheran High School South has announced his retirement from the associate pastoral ministry at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection. He will be saluted at a special celebration at Resurrection, this afternoon, Sunday, May 5, 3:00 p.m. to which the public is invited.

ATTENTION VETERANS If you are a new member or have not previously given us your service information, please provide it to us. Put your service information (branch of service, dates, rank) in Edie Turner's mailbox (#836) or turn it in to the church office. Thank you for helping to keep our records current.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL has concluded for the Spring. We look forward to having you join us again in the Fall.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MAY 5, 2019:

Today:	11:30	Youth Board Meeting
	11:30	Life Ministry Team
	3:00	9th Grade Youth Welcoming
	6:00	Adult Inquiry Class
Mon:	5:00	Chimes of Peace Rehearsal
	6:30	Council
Tue:	9:00	Quilters
	9:00	Plastic Mat Making
Wed:	11:15	Preschool Chapel
	7:00	Bells of Peace Rehearsal
	7:00	Wednesday Bible Study
Thu:	9:00	Mary/Martha Bible Study
	6:00	St. Trinity Cemetery Board
	6:30	ESL Classes
	6:30	College Girl's Bible Study
	7:00	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sat:	5:00	Worship Service w/Comm
Sun:	6:00	Adult Inquiry